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SATURDAY, AUGUST 11, 1906.

## ANOTHER "FAKE" REPORT.

Councilman Jesse C. Green, chairman of the water committee, presented another of his characteristic reports Monday night on the financial condition of the water department. A previous report by Mr. Green on this same subject was pronounced a "fake" report by one of his colleagues in the Council.

The same term will truthfully apply to Mr. Green's latest document on water department finances. His purpose seems to be to deceive the public into believing that the water department is earning a large cash surplus over and above all expenses.

It is simply folly to endeavor to practice this deception on the public. The people know evidently better than Mr. Green is aware of that the water department is not accumulating a cash surplus and that its expenditures and income just about balance. The income from the sale of water is about \$11,000 every six months, and not \$17,000 as might be inferred from Mr. Green's manipulation of the figures. A deceptive presentation of figures is the fault with every report that Mr. Green attempts to make on water department finances. He appears to be anxious to have at hand a large amount of public funds to expend and his reports are concocted with a view of justifying such expenditures. The superintendent of the water department is never heard making such boastful claims as appear in Mr. Green's reports.

In his latest report Mr. Green poses as a martyr. His reports are maliciously discredited and he invites a public investigation of the water department affairs that the truthfulness of his figures may be verified.

Mr. Green's reports have never received the scathing denunciation and criticism outside of the Council that they have from the inside. An honest report of the condition of the water department, even if it showed that the department was operated at a slight loss, would not reflect at all upon Mr. Green's management of the department and he would not be criticised.

It is the deliberate and persistent attempt to deceive that is the cause of criticism, and the inevitable result will be a total loss of public confidence in Mr. Green as a public official, and it will not be at all surprising if the primary election next month does not bring forth positive proof that Mr. Green has lost the confidence of his constituency.

There may be some members of the Council glib enough to swallow as gospel truth all that Mr. Green says about the finances of the water department, but there are other members of the Council that it is simply foolishness for Mr. Green to try and hoodwink in matters of a financial nature.

That Mr. Powers is making a creditable success in his administration of the water department nobody questions. He was doing so before Mr. Green was made chairman of the water committee, and probably will continue to do so after Mr. Green goes. Mr. Green's reports are a serious handicap to the administration of the water department, in that he creates false impressions and leads the people to expect and demand the impossible.

Mr. Green's reports are a reminder of an incident that occurred in a local political campaign here some years ago, when one candidate remarked of another: "That fellow better stop his lying, but I suppose it's impossible for him to do so, as he is built that way."

Perhaps certain unbecomable characteristics make it impossible to get an honest report at present about water department finances.

## The Town Clerkship.

Town Clerk William L. Johnson's announcement that he is a candidate for reelection to that position appears in another part of this issue of the CITIZEN. Mr. Johnson has held the position of clerk for many years. During his term of service he has been of valuable aid to the Town Council, in the transaction of public business, on account of his long experience in the clerkship and his knowledge of public affairs.

Former Councilmen publicly expressed their appreciation of Mr. Johnson's valuable services, and his clerical abilities are of an unquestionably high order. He has been regarded as a fixed feature in the clerkship, and any one who assumes to compete with him for the position is undertaking a prodigious task.

## New Cars.

Two handsome new trolley cars of an improved pattern have been placed on the Bloomfield line. They are of the combination kind, that is, of the open-closed character. In warm weather, and when it is not raining, they are all open, but in case of a storm they can readily be converted into closed cars, as was practically demonstrated one evening during this week, when a thunder storm came up rather suddenly. The windows are in two parts and are run up into the roof of the car, but when pulled down they easily adjust themselves into one window with two panes of glass. The entrance and exit are from the front and rear of the cars. The motorman is enclosed in a sort of vestibule, and the heating apparatus for furnishing steam for the cars is on the front platform. The rear platform is twice as large as the ordinary car, and an iron rail runs across the middle of it. Smokers and loungers have to stand behind this railing, so as not to interfere with passengers getting on and off of the cars. There are no running boards on these new cars, and the seats run crosswise, with an aisle in the centre. They are a decided improvement on the old style of open cars. They have also been introduced on the Paterson and the Elizabeth lines, and we understand that at no distant day they will become universal on all the other lines, or as soon as the present cars have to be replaced by new ones.

## The Assemblymen.

The Essex Assemblymen have done the people of this county much wrong and have injured a cause which should have had some sacredness, by their hopeless endorsement of George L. Record for U. S. Senator. We cannot believe that all of the eleven members of the Assembly who signed this statement believe in, or approve of, the candidacy of Mr. Record; and we think that they have some, at least, of the feeling that they have been unjustly coerced to action which neither their constituents, the men who voted for them, in primaries and at election a year ago, or their own consciences can now approve. It seems to us that the way to mend a mistake is, after careful consideration, to reverse a previous judgment when found wrong. All men err, but only the brave acknowledge it. The people of Essex have a right to ask the Assemblymen that they should retract their course and give them an opportunity to support for members men who are free from pledges which bind them to a policy clearly inimical to the best interests of the county and against the welfare of the State.

—Sunday Mail.

## Mayor Lockwood was Misquoted.

In the article on the "Borough Office," published in the CITIZEN of August 4, Mayor Arthur J. Lockwood of Glen Ridge was misquoted. Mr. Lockwood was quoted as saying in the course of his remarks that "a man from Glen Ridge was worth a good deal more to the square foot than one from Bloomfield." Mr. Lockwood did not use the word "man." The word he did use was "land." In a letter calling attention to the error Mr. Lockwood says: "I trust my regard for Bloomfield is too well known to require explanation, but were it otherwise I should hardly have the temerity to speak as reported when Messrs. Harford, Rayner and Sherman were present." Mr. Lockwood is held in high esteem by the people of this town and the statement attributed to him was received with doubt. The CITIZEN regrets the error and offers due apology to Mr. Lockwood.

## Modern Woodmen of America.

The camps of New Jersey, Greater New York and Long Island will hold a monster Woodman Day celebration at Luna Park, Coney Island, Thursday, August 16, 1906. Combination tickets cost \$1, entitling the holder to admission to the principal attractions, including a trip to the moon, mountain torrents, great train robbery, dragon's gorge, scenic railway, tours of the world, Mundy's wild animals, Boston's chariot, about the shutes, old mill and the miniature railway. Parades of uniformed degree teams, camp officers and floats emblematic of woodcraft will be held at 8 and 9 p. m. and photographed by the Edison Kinetoscope. Speeches will be made by members prominent in the order, including Senator La Follette of Wisconsin and Head Consul Talbot. For tickets apply to J. A. Conway, 87 Clinton street; J. B. Bollenbach, 85 Lake street, or any member of the camp.

## Safe Mail Delivery.

The 8th section of Belleville, which includes Harrison and Mill street and Brighton avenue, now has free delivery from the sub-station in Belleville. About fifty families will now be relieved from the necessity of journeying up to this town after mail, as has been their custom for many years.

## Runaway in Glen Ridge.

A team of horses driven by George Collins took fright at a train on the Erie Railroad at the Ridgewood avenue bridge Thursday and ran away. Besides the driver there were three small children in the carriage. After a run of several blocks Collins brought the horses under control, without injury to the carriage or its occupants.

## Lost Boy.

William Kane, a wandering boy from Newark, was found here by the police. Recorder Cadmus gave the boy a reprimand for running away from home, and he was sent back to Newark.

## Election Law Changes.

Secretary of State Dickinson has issued the chronological index of duties relating to the election on November 6th, giving the changes under the new laws by the last Legislature. August 24th the County Boards of Election commissioned this year will begin. Under the law the County Boards of Election are required to meet for organization during the first ten days in August. August 15th and 16th, inclusive, the chairman of the county committee of each of the two largest political parties must nominate members for the election boards in each election district in the county, appointments to be made before August 25th. The terms of office of the members of the local election boards will begin September 1st.

Tuesday, September 4th, the election boards in election districts outside of cities having a population of 30,000, must hold their first meeting, and then shall proceed to make a house-to-house canvass, completing it before Friday, September 7th. Tuesday, September 11th the election boards in districts outside of cities having 30,000 population, must hold their second meeting between 1 and 9 o'clock p. m. for transcribing and making up from its canvassing books two lists of all persons entitled to vote in the respective districts. Voters must be registered personally, or the board must be shown by the affidavit of some voter in the district that an applicant for registration is legally entitled to vote therein.

On this same day between 1 and 9 o'clock p. m. the primary election will be held in every election district in the State. An important change was made in the primary election law by the last Legislature, under which the basis of representation at the political conventions will this year be election districts instead of wards, or boroughs without wards. Under the new law each election district will be entitled to at least one delegate at each party convention. The representation above one delegate in each district will be based on the number of votes cast at last election, as was formerly the case in the county representation. The other registration days will be as follows: In districts outside cities having 30,000 population, Tuesday, October 30th. Within cities having 30,000 population, Tuesday, October 9th; Tuesday, October 23rd.

## A Republican's Grievance.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CITIZEN:

SIR—By what method of procedure will those Republicans who have not accepted the Colby heresy get opportunity to express their sentiments at the primary elections. In the second district of the First ward, where I reside, the representative of the district in the regular Republican organization of the county is a pronounced Colbyite and I am told that the same condition exists in the first district of the ward and in other districts.

The Colbyites finished their preliminary work for the primary elections and our county committee representatives and other county committeemen in the town were prominently identified with the Colbyites in making up their ticket. I am a Republican, not a factionalist. I want a chance to vote for Republicans for delegates to the Republican County Convention. Will my county committeemen give me such an opportunity; can be consistently do so? I do not see how he or other county committeemen who are in the Colby camp can give any encouragement to any movement that will result in an opposition ticket. Yet surely those of us who have not faltered in our devotion to the established organization of the Republican party are entitled to some rights and some consideration. We cannot, and what's more, we will not be forced into accepting Colbyism as Republicanism.

The Colbyites have got together and made their slate, and they have shown commendable enterprise in taking time by the forelock and they appear to have a majority of the Republican county committeemen with them. Must we who want a chance to vote our preferences appeal to the county organization in Newark?

## Church Services.

Services at the Waterside M. E. Church to-morrow will be as follows: At 11 A. M., preaching by the pastor; subject: "This is the Finger of God." At 8.30 p. m., vesper sacred song service, when the pastor will relate some experiences of Mr. Moody and Sankey in their use of sacred song in this country and in Europe. Great favorites of those men will be sung. Mr. L. T. Jones and Mr. Griffith Jones will sing. Mr. and Mrs. Henderson will also sing.

## Mentor Will Fitch.

Lawrence Hester and Catcher Davis of this town will be the battery for the Orange Valley A. C. in the game between that club and the New York Colored Giants on Sunday at Orange. On the grounds of the Llewellyn A. C. the Llewellyn will meet the Summit A. C. Walsh and Gerrity will be in the pole for the latter. The battery for the former will be Grobe and Vesterman.

## Letter from Germany.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CITIZEN: SIR—The information has reached me here that you have considered my letter on grade crossings and other death dealing and health destroying evils of sufficient interest to the public of Bloomfield to publish the same, and I must sincerely hope that the agitation on these questions will not cease till they are abolished, and I thank you in advance for your influence in this direction.

It has occurred to me that a short letter from here might prove of interest to some of your readers, if you think best to publish the same.

I left New York on June 30th on the steamship Graf Waldersee of the Hamburg-American Line, of which Captain Kresh is the commander. I cannot refrain from mentioning that this gentleman is not only a man who delights to give pleasure to his passengers, whom he treats as his guests, but he is a hero who has distinguished himself by rendering great service to Germany and humanity at large, for which he is the possessor of very valuable medals, received from the Emperors of Germany, China, Japan and others. I would like to speak in commendation of all the officers of this ship, but time and space in your paper do not admit of it.

After eleven days of a most delightful trip on the ocean we landed at Dover and proceeded at once to London. It is of course not my purpose to describe the sights of London, which has been done many times much better than I could possibly do it. Will, however, advise any visitor to London not to neglect a drive to Hampton Court, returning by way of Putney and Chelsea, visiting Carill's house in the latter place. The next place I visited was Amsterdam, where are many buildings of antiquity and objects of great interest to be seen. At the time I was in Amsterdam the city celebrated the 300th birthday of Rembrandt, Amsterdam being his birthplace. It was my good fortune to see the Mother Queen and the Prince of Holland on several occasions, the former a beautiful matron. The Prince is the husband of Queen Wilhelmina, who has been charged many times in the press with cruelly treating the Queen, of which, after seeing him, I don't believe one word. He is of noble face and commanding figure. This pageant was a great sight to an American.

The next city visited was The Hague, which, next to Wiesbaden, I consider the most beautiful city I ever visited. At The Hague the "House in the Woods" is one of the wonders of the world. In this house the Peace Congress was held after our war with Spain, and there America agreed to pay \$250,000,000 million dollar after defeating Spain, paying it for something it did not want. Great is the United States. I believe that it's destiny is to dictate terms of peace to the world. May this time soon come. Of Holland I will say in conclusion that the streets of the cities were specially scrubbed and all of the houses newly painted in honor of my visit. This letter is already much too long. Will give you another some other time; perhaps from Hamburg, if you want it. H. O. BUCK, Heidelberg, Germany, July 27, 1906.

## Political Items.

Former Councilman Frank N. Unangst is in the midst of a deluge of tendered political honors. Friends are offering him a place on the Democratic Assembly ticket and others are importing him to be an independent candidate for Town Councilman.

There is an active movement on foot among Third ward, first district, Republicans to secure the nomination of School Commissioner George E. Bedell for Councilman.

Thomas Rawson, Jr., an influential Second ward politician, says the Colbyites will sweep the Second ward this fall.

Many First ward people favor the reelection of Charles J. Murray as a Councilman from that ward.

Chairman Charles F. Koerber of the Republican Town Executive Committee, Seymour P. Gilbert, Harry L. Osborne and other political leaders are in frequent conference of late and rumors of important political action are current.

Former Councilman James M. Walker is said to be the leading candidate for the Republican nomination for Councilman. Mr. Walker, it is understood, will have the backing of the regular Republican organization of the ward.

A pig roast would be out of season, but Richard J. Maxwell, chief of the Maxwell clan, says the organization is open to an ice-cream and lemonade affair from any aspirant for office who desires the friendship of the clan.

L. E. Sutton, J. R. Conlan, Seymour P. Gilbert and Charles F. Koerber made an auto trip Thursday night through the several election districts in the town. Mr. Gilbert says the trip was primarily for pleasure and incidentally for—

## Successful Excursion.

Court Bloomfield Centre, I. O. F., held a very successful excursion to Midway Park, N. Y., Wednesday. Not an accident marred the day's pleasure. The committee in charge consisted of Frederick Storms, Jr., John Mayer, Louis Kutz, Frederick Eiler, Louis Eiler, Anthony Bell, Frederick Sommerkamp, Charles Barth, Joseph Voelker, Robert S. Freeman, George Brown, James Conroy and Charles H. Philbrick.

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